

Narberth Passers' Resume Campaign

Borough Team Won Five Games In M. L. League

The undefeated Narberth basketball team returns to its home base at Bala-Cynwyd Junior High School after an absence of two weeks when it entertained Lukens Steel of Coatesville next Wednesday.

The boroughites, who have won five straight in the Main Line League, traveled to Chester to play Penn Steel last night and tonight (Thursday) goes to Wayne to battle the second place team in one of the week's key battles.

Narberth beat Wayne easily before the holidays, but Bill Walsh, Wayne skipper, says that was because Wayne wasn't at full strength but that this time it will be different.

Lukens Steel gave Narberth its closest battle yet by only 56-50, up to Narberth's last home game before the holidays and the Steelmen's return here next week is awaited with keen anticipation by local fans.

New Lecture Series At B. M. Art Center

Andrew Wyeth Will Discuss Paintings This Sunday

In line with increased activity in art at the Bryn Mawr Art Center this season, the Art Center announces a new Sunday afternoon series of events to begin on January 7 and continue throughout the Spring.

These programs will present authorities in the arts. The series will open Sunday at 3:00 P. M. when Andrew Wyeth, nationally known painter in water color and tempera, will discuss a group of his paintings which will be at the Art Center at that time.

In later programs in the series, J. Frank Copeland, teacher of water color at the School of Industrial Arts, will discuss a group of his paintings in that medium. Emily N. Kimball, head of the Art Department of the Metairie Park Country Day School in New Orleans, pioneer progressive school of the South, will discuss a group of her paintings in connection with an exhibition of work by pupils of the school which will be hanging at that time.

Glady's York Christensen will demonstrate the process of Fresco Painting.

"A Painting Recital", a new type of exhibition, will be held, with the well known authority, Edith Emerson, as commentator. There will be a program on puppets, and colored motion pictures of birds will be shown by Miss Esther Heacock. A children's program of Fairy Tales will be given by Elizabeth C. Fisher, head of art in the Junior School of the Haverford Boys School.

Dr. Ella D. Kilgus, president of the Art Center will talk on "What an Art Center Contributes to a Community."

Stoddard to Speak At Scout Dinner

Silver Beaver Award Will Be Made At Meeting

Dr. Alexander J. Stoddard, superintendent of Philadelphia schools, will be among the guest speakers at the annual dinner of the Valley Forge Scout Council, held at the Bala-Cynwyd Junior High School, January 27, at 6:45 P. M., when 1,200 men and women will assemble for dinner.

Dr. Stoddard has served many positions in the service of youth and education, and is well known as a rural school teacher in Nebraska, later as a principal in high schools and superintendent of schools in Denver, Colorado; Providence, Rhode Island, and Schenectady, New York.

Another speaker will be J. Harold Williams, Scout executive of the Narragansett Council, Providence, Rhode Island. Williams recently completed a six weeks tour of Canada speaking about youth for the Canadian Boy Scouts.

Other features will be when John C. Moore, cubmaster of Swanton, Maine, will lead a training discussion of all Cub Scouts at 4 P. M. At the same time, Wellington Young will preside at the Scout group will be under the leadership of Elmer H. Walker.

The Silver Beaver award, coveted by all because of the select group of men receiving this honor, awarded for the outstanding service which they gave to boyhood, will be made.

Collapses Near Home From Heart Attack

John S. Eberbach, 17 Colwyn La., Bala-Cynwyd, collapsed and died from a heart attack while walking a short distance from his home last Friday. His body was found in front of his home by Mrs. Ralph Burnard, 13 Colwyn La. A servant at Eberbach's home said he had gone out early in the morning.

Missing After Visit of Daughter

Mrs. Eleanor Schiller, 40, of Wynnewood, has been listed as missing from Norristown State Hospital since Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Schiller was reported missing after a daughter, Mrs. H. Walker, called to inform her that her mother had been reported missing to police authorities.

Brunner Wants to Stop Silt Dumping

State Representative Charles H. Brunner, Norristown, Pa., is planning to introduce legislation to specifically prohibit coal silt dumping into waterways. He said he would propose eliminating from the 1937 pure stream law a section exempting silt dumping from the law.

Brunner's recommendations were in line with the policy of the State Sanitary Water Board.

Attend Opening Of Legislature

Commissioner Peters and Cadwalader Attend Session

Montgomery County's entire legislative delegation were present Tuesday when the State Legislature convened in Harrisburg. In the group were State Senator Franklin Spencer, Edmonds and Assemblymen Lloyd H. Wood, Lambert Cadwalader, Henry Wood, Howard P. Boorse and Charles H. Brunner, Jr.

The opening session was the Lloyd Wood Named To Committee on Committees.

Lloyd H. Wood, Republican County Chairman and Third District Assemblyman, was named on the Committee on Committees by Speaker Fiss in the House at Harrisburg Wednesday, an act which touched off a 30-minute debate during which the minority party made a bid for equal representation on all committees with the exception of a chairman and vice-chairman. The committee includes eight Republicans and three Democrats. A resolution to have equal party representation was defeated, 109-85. Also named on the Committee on Committees was Thomas B. Stockham, Bucks County.

First attended by Propert since his election as a representative to the Third District, succeeding Harold C. Pike, Cheltenham, Fiss named Wood to the position of special election to fill the unexpired term of Edwin Winner, now County Treasurer.

Much interest was centered in organization of the House which is made up of 109 members, 59 Democrats, 50 Republicans supported Ira T. Fiss, Snyder County, for a second term. The Democratic candidate was Harry P. O'Neill, Lackawanna.

The Senate is composed of 32 Republicans and 18 Democrats. County Commissioner Frederick C. Peters, Ardmore, attended the opening of the 1945 session.

Services Held For Judge McDonough

On Delaware Bench Also Served In Montgomery

Solemn requiem mass was held Saturday in St. Robert's Church, Chester, for Judge John E. McDonough, judge of Delaware County Orphans Court and a visiting judge in Montgomery County. Interment was in St. Michael's Cemetery, Chester.

Judge McDonough suffered a heart attack two weeks ago and died last Wednesday night at his home in Chester. He was 71.

Surviving are his wife, Julia; two daughters, Miss Anna M. McDonough and Sister Julie S. N. D.; and a sister, Mrs. Thomas Davis. Judge McDonough, a life-long Democrat, was appointed to the bench by former Governor Earle in 1937 to fill a vacancy. In November of last year he was elected for a ten year term. He has been called to Montgomery County on numerous occasions to help clear the calendar of cases.

Judge McDonough was 71 on Christmas Day.

He was a native of Philadelphia but lived most of his life in Chester. He was the author of numerous historical articles on "Old Chester."

Judge McDonough was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Magistrates To Elect
Election of officers will highlight the quarterly dinner meeting of the Montgomery County Justice of the Peace Association to be held at the F.W. Home, Coatesville, next Tuesday evening.

Assemblyman Howard P. Boorse and Constable Wylie B. David will be hosts.

With growing political opposition in his own home bailiwick of Gladwyne Dr. Frank P. K. Barker, president of the Lower Merion Board of Commissioners, announced last week he would not be a candidate for reelection as commissioner this year.

Appointed in 1926 to fill a vacancy caused by the death of his brother, William A. L. Barker, who was also president of the board, Dr. Barker has served ever since. His present four year term expires in December of this year.

In addition, Dr. Barker is a practicing dentist in Ardmore and controller of Montgomery County. The commissioner job in Lower Merion pays \$600 and the controller's job \$500 annually.

With the Republican primary still many months away Dr. Barker by his premature announcement beat his political opposition to the gun.

An independent Gladwyne Republican group, similar in political hue to those springing up in South Ardmore, Bryn Mawr and Rosemont, is contemplating an important announcement this month. This announcement, they said, would have affected the candidacy of Dr. Barker.

It is understood that the new movement is primarily interested in bringing new blood and ideas into the Republican Party.

DESTROYED BY FIRE

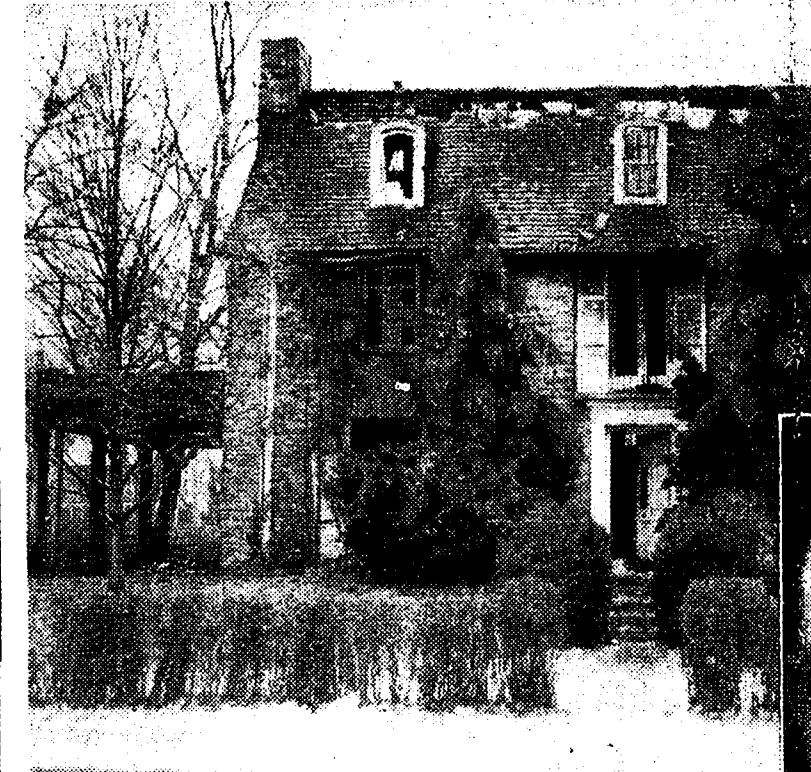


Photo Courtesy Philadelphia Record

Sparks From Fireplace Cause Blaze In Which Four Die, Two Are Injured

The wife of a Haverford stockbroker and their three children were burned to death early Saturday morning when fire swept their two-and-a-half story stone home at 423 W. Lancaster Ave., Haverford.

The father, Robert P. Morrissey, 46, a student at Lower Merion High School, was killed. His wife, Mrs. Grace Morrissey, 46, a student at Ardmore Junior High School, and Mary Frances Morrissey, 11, a fifth grade pupil at the Mother of Good Counsel parochial school in Bryn Mawr, were also killed.

The fire is believed to have started from sparks from the living room fireplace, but the house was so completely gutted it may never be possible to determine the exact origin.

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Sidney Smith Dies At Merion Home

Well Known Attorney Would Have Been 66 This Month

Funeral services for Sidney E. Smith, prominent Philadelphia attorney, will be held at 2 P. M. today at his home, 622 S. Bowman Ave., Merion. Mr. Smith, who would have been 66 on January 26, died Sunday at his home.

The son of the late Archibald Smith, a Civil War veteran, and Mrs. Annetta Campbell Smith, he attended the George G. Meade Public School in Philadelphia, and studied law at the Temple University Law School. He was admitted to the bar in December, 1902, and specialized in civil cases. His offices were in the Lincoln Liberty Building, Philadelphia.

Mr. Smith was a member of the Union League and the Temple Law School Alumni Association. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lucetta Hays Smith, two sons, Sidney E. Jr. and Robert C., and a daughter, Lillian Lamor Smith. Burial will be in West Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Commissioner Beats Opposition to Punch Dr. Barker Does Not Choose to Run

"I shall not be a candidate for re-election."

"During that entire period, of which almost four years was spent as president of the board, I have endeavored to give the township and its citizenry the best possible government and most efficient operation."

"However, I shall continue to maintain an active interest in our communal affairs. My deepest thanks to the voters who supported me so loyally during all these years."

Dr. Barker was born 60 years ago at Mill Creek, near the present site of the Thomas H. Barker Mill and received his early schooling in the old Merion Square Public School in Gladwyne.

At Lower Merion High School, he was a classmate of General Henry H. Arnold, commanding general of the U. S. Air Forces. He received his advanced education at the college department of the University of Pennsylvania and was graduated in dentistry in 1907. Until the outbreak of World War I, he served as instructor at the University and also at Temple University.

During the war, he joined the Reserves, was commissioned a first lieutenant and the same year was promoted to captain.

In 1921, he returned to Lower Merion and began the practice of dentistry.

HERE AND THERE

by BETSY-ANN

In this first week of '45, let us take stock of ourselves. When you find a shortage of meat or butter, or cigarettes or any of many articles of food or clothing, stop and think of our boys overseas. What they are enduring and then think how safe and comfortable we really are here at home. We haven't given up anything worth mentioning and many have delisted by this war. Let this year of '45 be a year of hope, of courage, and faith.

The basketball courts at the Play Ground on Windsor Avenue were flooded this week for ice skating.

Speaking of floods—I understand they have ordered a new consignment of buckets at the Fire House. This time for use in the Borough Office. Seems during the downpour this week, Mr. Hall, Tax Collector, had four buckets on his desk to catch the overflow. Mr. Supple had two buckets on his desk, and there were two used in the hall. Never can tell when there may be a cloud burst, so it's best to be prepared.

Mrs. E. J. Pollock, Chairman of the Bond Booth, reports \$28,200 in bonds and \$832 in stamps were sold during the 6th War Loan Drive at the Narberth booth, corner of Forrest and Haverford Aves.

The wedding of Miss Eleanor Marie Cabrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Cabrey, 2 Narberth Park, to Lt. William Francis Fox, U. S. N. R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry I. Fox, of Norristown, Pa., will take place at St. Margaret's Church, Narberth, on Saturday, Jan. 6, at 11 o'clock.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bassett, Bryn Mawr Ave., Wynnewood, was broken into and robbed last Saturday night. The thieves took several watches, war stamps, and a quantity of a debt in silverware or jewelry. All the burglars were arrested.

Three Lower Merion Properties Sold By County Sheriff

Sheriff Samuel M. Glass sold seven Montgomery County properties at public sale conducted in Norristown last Wednesday afternoon.

The following three Lower Merion properties were among those sold:

Property in Lower Merion Township taken in execution as that of Woodburn Potter and Leroy K. Smith, at suit of the Pennsylvania Insurance on Lives and Granting of a mortgage for a debt of \$28,590. Sold for costs of \$92.93.

Property in Lower Merion Township, taken in execution as that of Thomas O. Bretherton and Joseph M. Bretherton, at suit of the Fidelity Philadelphia Trust Company, for a debt of \$28,698.98 and sold for costs and taxes of \$1500.

Property in Lower Merion, seized as that of Ellen Fitzpatrick and others, at suit of Joseph Thomas Fitzpatrick for a debt of \$9570. Sold for costs of \$175.18.

Cupid Dropped To New 10-Year Low Here in '44

Montgomery County marriages dropped almost to a new 10-year low in 1944, with only 1,665 licenses issued for the year, according to statistics obtained this week from Orphans' Court Clerk John W. Guest, Jr.

In 1943 the total number of licenses was 1,926 and the figures show that last year they dropped off a total of 161 over the preceding 12 months.

June continued as the favorite month for brides, when 207 licenses were issued. This was the only month of the year when the licenses exceeded the 200 mark. This also was true of 1943 and in June of that year there were 235 issued.

Last year's total was the lowest in the last decade with the exception of 1936 when there were only 1,663 licenses, two fewer than were issued last year.

Juniors Barred From Canteen; Ask High School Authorities to Provide Recreation Center

Award Bala Man \$735 For Idea Saving Government \$500,000

For suggesting a new procedure in issuing equipment to newly activated troops, Thomas J. McCrossin, 149 Stonewall, Bala-Cynwyd, received a check for \$735 last Friday from Col. George W. Wray, commanding officer.

This is the largest sum ever awarded a Signal Corps employee for a suggestion. McCrossin's suggestion, adopted as standard procedure by all Army service forces, will save the Government \$500,000 annually.

1945 Plans to Aid Paralysis Victims

Chairman of County Reports On Last Year's Work

Expenditures of the Montgomery County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis totaled approximately \$5,000 during the year, 1944, a year-end report of the organization, of which Miss Mary B. Marr, Norristown, is chairman, revealed this week.

While looking at the year, 1944, in retrospect of the work that has been accomplished through money provided by the March of Dimes, officials of the Chapter also look ahead to what the Chapter hopes to accomplish in 1945.

Some of these plans are: Immediate hospitalization when required, with definite arrangements made with hospitals of the County for admission of patients.

A standardization program of reimbursement to hospitals, by the chapter, where the family is unable to pay all or only able to pay part of the expense involved. Immediate employment of a qualified and certified visiting physiotherapist qualified in the Kenny treatment and all branches of physiotherapy covering after-care in infantile paralysis cases.

After-care in all cases, facilities for after-care through a visiting nurse and through clinical and therapeutic facilities of hospitals in the County by methods approved by the family physician.

At present there are 14 old cases receiving aid from the Montgomery County Chapter and 53 new cases which are being followed up.

Approve Plans For Refinancing P.&W.

Red Arrow Lines Proposal Is Given P.U.C. O.K.

Plans for reorganization of the Philadelphia and Western Railway Company proposed by the Philadelphia Suburban Transportation Company have been approved by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Philadelphia Suburban is a creditor of P. & W. which operates the electric trolley system between 69th and Market Sts., and Norristown, and owns \$800,000 worth of its first mortgage bonds or about one-third of its bonded indebtedness.

A P. & W. plan for refinancing, approved by PUC in June, 1942, provided that present bondholders would receive \$400 of new bonds and four shares of new common stock for each \$1,000 of principal.

Under the Philadelphia Suburban plans, P. & W. would issue \$280 worth of new bonds, \$120 in cash and four shares of new common stock to present holders.

Under the Federal bankruptcy law, U. S. District Judge William H. Kirkpatrick will decide which plan to approve.

Red Cross Lists Safety Course

Can you walk across an icy street without falling down? The American Red Cross Accident Prevention Course has the answer. This 15-hour course will be held four afternoons a week in January and February at the Ardmore Red Cross Center.

Mrs. W. Buzby Taylor is chairman of the First Aid and Accident Prevention Committee. Call her at Ardmore 3100 for details.

High Students End Talent Search Exam; 40 Finalists to Be Picked by Judges

Thousands of high school seniors—entrants in the fourth annual nation-wide Science Talent Search—are sitting on traditional "pins and needles" awaiting the telegram that will notify a fortunate 40 of them that they have qualified as finalists and are invited to Washington on a five-day, all-expense trip next March to compete for \$1,000 in Westinghouse Science Scholarships.

The judges expect to announce their names toward the end of this month.

Upper Classmen Think They Are Too Young; Claim They Attempted to 'Crash the Door'; Principals Are Approached

Turned down by their upper classmen Narberth and Lower Merion junior high school students pressed their demands this week through school authorities for a recreation canteen.

Casualty List

KILLED

Staff Sergeant Samuel E. Davis, husband of Rose Emily Hopkins, formerly of Merion Ave., Narberth, has been reported killed over India on Christmas Eve. He was a radio operator on a B-27. His plane is reported to have exploded in mid-air.

WOUNDED

2nd Lt. Frank X. Purcell, whose wife, Margaret, lives at 525 Wynnewood Ave., Narberth, in Europe.

Lt. William Carroll, son of Mrs. Wharton Carroll, Gwynedd, has been wounded in Italy on December 17, according to word received January 2.

Vote Salary Boost County Employees

Amounts to \$130 In Delaware; \$72.50 In Montgomery

Both Delaware and Montgomery County commissioners have announced salary increases for county employees last week.

The increase in Delaware will amount to \$130 for each employee annually and in Montgomery County the average increase will be \$72.50 for about 150 employees.

As announced by county commissioners both increases were given to adjust salaries to increased living costs.

In Delaware County each employee, with the elected officials expected, received a flat increase of \$130 while in Montgomery the increase varies with the average hitting \$72.50.

In Delaware County increase employees of the County, whose salaries are either fixed by the judges or by law, were excepted. Also employees of the Board of Prison Inspectors and the Institution District were not included.

Since 1938 Montgomery County commissioners have voted a 25 percent increase in salaries which, they say, is keeping step with increased costs of living of 23 to 24 percent.

Montgomery County is also increasing its truck rate allowance 25 cents an hour and raising labor rates five cents an hour. Per diem employees will not be affected by the change.

Complete 3 Years Work Combining County Records

A complete new index system, combining records in the office of Register of Wills Mary H. Beerer and the Montgomery County Orphans' Court, have been completed by the Russell Index Company.

The new indices represent three years' labor on the part of a large number of girls employed by the Russell Company and an expenditure of \$65,000 by Montgomery County for installation of the system. Work on it was started in Nov., 1941.

Heretofore there were separate records for the office of the Register of Wills and for the Orphans' Court, whereas under the new system there is one set of indices for the two closely-related offices.

Commuters Delayed Last Friday Morning

A car failure last Friday morning delayed three Pennsylvania Railroad trains on the Paoli-Philadelphia run and caused hundreds of commuters to be late for work.

The trouble developed on a train due to leave Paoli at 7:20 A. M. It was found necessary to cut out one of the cars.

Borough To Elect

Arrangements for the annual banquet of the Boroughs Association of Montgomery County are being completed by the committee in charge. The event will be conducted at Norristown City Hall on Thursday evening, Jan. 25, during which officers will be elected.

Brings Back Runaway

Assistant Deserter Probation Officer Miss Helen Young, Pottstown, left Wednesday for Memphis, Tenn., to bring back to Montgomery County a 13-year-old Lower Merion girl who ran away from home.

Because of three reasons the junior high students, who attend either Ardmore or Bala-Cynwyd Junior High School, have been refused admission to the teen-age canteen opened in the basement of the Ardmore Woman's Club.

First, the upper classmen complain they are too young.

Second, that the Lower Merion School Board played no part in helping to establish the Ardmore canteen and there is no reason for its existence.

Teen Aged Students—To warm up the teen aged last Friday night in the basement of the Ardmore Woman's Club.

David Mallickson, high school correspondent, reports that most of the students danced in their overalls because the janitor forgot "to put another coat on the fire."

As a result they are demanding more heat from their landlord, the Ardmore Woman's Club, who are paying \$10 a night for the rent of the basement which they think is a heavy price anyway.

To help out with the teen-age movement they think it would be wise if they were given the basement for a more nominal sum. They point out that they greatly increased the value of the property when they redecorated and renovated the basement before taking over.

why the Ardmore canteen should be expected to provide recreation facilities for the entire student body.

Third, the Ardmore canteen is crowded and lacks facilities to accommodate more students.

For the past three Friday nights members of the Lower Merion Junior High School claim they have been pestered by a group of junior high school students who tried to "crash the door." Most of these, they report, are from the Ardmore Junior High School.

Junior high students have approached both George W. R. Kirkpatrick, principal of Bala-Cynwyd Junior High School, and Edward H. Snow, principal of Ardmore Junior High School, with requests for canteen facilities. They are asking for a place similar to the upper classmen's canteen where they can play games, drink soda and listen to recordings.

"We need a canteen more than the Senior High School teen-agers," they have told the school authorities.

The junior high students have pointed out that a good many of the "hot spots" they frequented have either gone out of business or are closed for the duration. Narberth, they said, is particularly devoid of any place for a teen-ager to congregate.

The junior teen-agers want the canteen open Friday and Saturday nights until a reasonable hour. A number of the junior high students are now spending their Friday and Saturday nights hanging around street corners and in friendly drug stores.

Award Prizes In Fish, Game Contest

Nominate Officers; 150 Joined Club In 1944

Although sportsmen had far less time to devote to fishing and hunting during the past 12 months, a number of them made use of their limited time to catch large fish and had game to enter in the Merion Rod and Gun Club's annual fish, game and vernal contest. Prizes were awarded by the Club last Wednesday evening in the American Legion Hall in Narberth.

Rainbow trout—Joseph P. White, Narberth.

Brown trout—Henry A. Drumm, Pottstown.

Brook trout—Henry A. Drumm, Pottstown.

OUR TOWN

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Note: For publication on Thursday, all church notices must be received by Monday at 5 P. M. each week. Mail notice to this paper, c/o Box 350, Ardmore, Pa., or telephone Ardmore 5720 or Hilltop 3600.

St. Margaret's Catholic Church

Rev. James P. Toner, Rector.
Rev. Charles P. O'Connor
Rev. Charles P. Dinan
In residence, Rev. J. Kane
Christmas Day
6:30 A. M., Solemn High Mass
Low Masses at 8, 9, 10:15, 11:15, 12:15
Confessions Sunday afternoon and evening at regular hours.

First Church of Christ Scientist

Litwood and Althaus Aves., Ardmore.
SUNDAY
11:00 A. M.—Sunday School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
3:00 P. M.—Afternoon Service
WEDNESDAY
8:00 P. M.—Evening Meeting
Reading room at 8, 8:15 to 9:45
In open weeks, 8:15 to 9:30 A. M.
to 5:00 P. M. and Sunday from 1 to 2:45 P. M. and Wednesday evening 9 to 9:45 P. M.

Baptist Church of the Evangel

Narberth, Pa.
Rev. R. G. Middleton, Pastor
SUNDAY
8:45 A. M.—Church School
11:00 A. M.—Morning Service

Narberth Presbyterian Church

Windsor and Graveling Aves.
Rev. Bryant M. Kirkland, Pastor
John Van Ness, D.D., Pastor Emeritus
SUNDAY
8:45 A. M.—Sunday Bible School
11:00 A. M.—Nursery for Young Children
11:00 A. M.—Junior Church
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship
5:00 P. M.—Senior Christian Endeavor
4:00 P. M.—Vesper Service
7:30 P. M.—Senior Christian Endeavor
WEDNESDAY
8:00 P. M.—Prayer Meeting

Narberth Methodist Church

Essex and Price Avenues.
Minister, Carl R. Hammerly.
SUNDAY
11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship

LEGAL NOTICES

ESTATE OF MARY L. GRAFFIN, late of Borough of Narberth, deceased.
Letters of Administration on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, who requires all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment, without delay, to:

NORRISTOWN-PENN. TRUST COMPANY,
Main and Second Streets,
Norrissetown, Pa.

Or its Attorney, J. Ernest Neeched, Esq.,
Northwestern Bank Building,
Glenview, Pa. O.T. 12-21-45.

ESTATE OF SARAH P. DAVIS, late of Narberth, deceased.
Letters Testamentary on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, who requires all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment, without delay, to:

HOWARD E. DAVIS,
Executor,
224 Haverford Avenue,
Narberth, Pa.

Or his Attorney, John E. Flynn, Esquire,
40 E. Alby St., Norristown, Pa.
O.T. 12-17-45.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF NARBERTH

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the NATIONAL BANK OF NARBERTH, Inc., for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of any other business that may come before said bank on Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1945, at 5 P. M., O.T. 12-14-45.

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Merion Friends Meeting

Montgomery Ave. and Meeting House Lane, Merion.

10:00 A. M.—First Day (Sunday) School.
11:00 A. M.—Meeting for Worship.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Woodbine and Narberth Aves.
Rev. C. J. Smith, Pastor.
Samuel T. Nicholas, D. D., Pastor Emeritus.
SUNDAY
9:45 A. M.—Sunday School
1:00 A. M.—Holy Communion. Special music. "Overture in C sharp minor." Offertory, "Salvation Now Comes to Earth." Anthem, "Ah, Holy Jesus."

7:00 P. M.—Junior and Senior Lutheran League.

Award Prizes

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men and women joined the Club to double the paid-up membership of the preceding year. George A. Purvine's membership committee expressed appreciation to those who had made a success of the campaign and prizes were awarded.

First—Howell and Ellen Dietrich, Upper Darby.
Second—Edgar J. Clarke, Upper Darby.
Third—John A. Miller, Sr., Narberth.
Fourth—George M. Gaul, Philadelphia.

It was reported last Wednesday that the annual Fall drawing had brought in the large returns. Frank Gorman South Ardmore, and his Committee were congratulated for their efforts.

Prior to adjournment last Wednesday the following were nominated for 1945 officers of the Club: Elections to be held January 17 in the Legion Hall, Narberth.

President—Lloyd DuBois, Bala-Cynwyd.
Vice Presidents (three to be elected)—Charles C. Chain, Sr., Narberth; John Albrecht, Jr., Narberth; Frank P. Davis, Philadelphia.

Treasurer—E. C. Griswold, Narberth.
Secretary—John A. Miller, Narberth.
Field Captain—Ernest Jenkins.

Directors (three to be elected): Frank R. Gorman, South Ardmore; Edmund R. Barth, Manor; Marceline MacAlpine, Villa Nova; Edw. Anderson; Henry Hopkins and Victor Sweet.

ESTATE OF MARY L. GRAFFIN, late of Borough of Narberth, deceased.
Letters of Administration on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, who requires all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment, without delay, to:

NORRISTOWN-PENN. TRUST COMPANY,
Main and Second Streets,
Norrissetown, Pa.

Or its Attorney, J. Ernest Neeched, Esq.,
Northwestern Bank Building,
Glenview, Pa. O.T. 12-21-45.

ESTATE OF SARAH P. DAVIS, late of Narberth, deceased.
Letters Testamentary on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, who requires all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment, without delay, to:

HOWARD E. DAVIS,
Executor,
224 Haverford Avenue,
Narberth, Pa.

Or his Attorney, John E. Flynn, Esquire,
40 E. Alby St., Norristown, Pa.
O.T. 12-17-45.

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Lower Merion High School NEWS LETTER

PVT. ERNIE GIULIANO, '42, who was captain of the L. M. band when in school, is playing with the 569th Air Force band at Drew Field, Tampa, Fla.

PVT. TED HARP is now a full-fledged paratrooper in England. He went abroad as an infantryman. When he entered the Army he asked for service with the paratroops, but his request was denied. A short time ago a call went out in England for volunteers for the paratroops and Ted volunteered.

S. 2/C GUERNSEY ORCUTT, '42, completed his Navy V-12 course at Villanova College early this Fall, then spent five weeks in training at Great Lakes, Ill. He is now ready to be shipped out.

PVT. HERB McKOWN, '43, missed transfer to the combat zone by only six hours when he was hurt in a parachute jump at Fort Benning, Ga. His main chute failed to open and after dropping 600 feet he succeeded in opening his auxiliary chute, but when only a few feet from the ground it collapsed and he broke his foot in the fall. He spent 12 weeks in the hospital at Fort Benning. On his discharge he was grounded for three months, 21 days of which he will spend at home on furlough.

Three members of the Class of '43, TED FRIEL, TED PALMER and HOMER HEWITT have finished their Navy V-12 training at Princeton. Ted Friel and Homer are headed for the pre-midshipman school at Annapolis, Md., and Ted Palmer will go to the school at Plattsburg, N. Y.

CPL. GEORGE H. SHERWOOD, '38, veteran of the North Africa and Sicilian campaigns, received a medical discharge from the Army in October. He went overseas in April, 1943, took part in the campaigns at Bizerte and Palermo, and was sent back to the States in November, 1943, after an injury received in an accident. He underwent an operation at the Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., then was given limited service at Fort Benning, Ga., where he was stationed for some time before being sent as a patient to Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Ga.

E. CLARK WORRELL, JR., '33, was wounded October 2 in action in Germany, presumably at Aachen, while serving with the First Army. In a letter to his family he said he received two wounds, one in the head and one in the side. The head wound had completely healed and he expected to be moved shortly from a hospital in England to a convalescent base. He entered the Army a year ago. He was at first with an anti-aircraft unit and later was transferred to the infantry. He received his training in Texas and Mississippi.

ORION KLINE, '41, has been promoted to sergeant in charge of a group of draftsmen who make maps for the Army at Camp Robinson, Ark.

S/SGT. JOSEPH ROSETTI, '35, was wounded in France August 8th, his parents in Narberth have been notified.

From the Mail Bag
CPL. H. SIB LEE, APO 466, c/o PM, NY. Sib sent us word about Lt. A Townsend, who is missing in action. He had written to him and the letter was returned. We join you and hope he's a P. O. W.

S/SGT. A. B. BRUNNER, '39, APO 634, c/o PM, NY. Brunner reports the N. L. as a Newspaper plus X—X being the unknown something making it better than a newspaper. Hope you get home to solve that "Big Problem"—and also that you enjoyed your visit with Bill White.

SGT. C. DE FELICE, APO 1715, c/o PM, NY. Squeaky said the censor would not let him tell what he wanted to—so he wrote a page of "nothing," as he called it. Thanks for the picture, Squeaky, and Good Luck.

PVT. LOUIS A. DI FABIO, Camp Blanding, Fla. Your mention of Ted Dorosh recalls to mind his ability as an athlete. You never can tell when that work in Motor Mechanics may come in handy—then you will thank Mr. Suloff.

LT. JOSEPH P. SALVO, Big Springs, Texas. Joe is working as a physical training officer and as an addition to job teaching the technique of Parachute Jump Landing. To illustrate the course further, Joe does a jump from 8000 ft. over the field. He reports Doug Deakins' arrival at his airfield.

SGT. HARRY OLSON, Tucson, Arizona. Harry mentions the fact that with money in one's wallet, it is difficult to sit down and write letters. We agree on that score, but we never have the money in our wallet.

CPL. JOHN FORD, APO 445, Camp Cooke, California. John is working in division headquarters handling requisitions for supplies. Your buddies from Williamsport and Norristown should know L. M. pretty well.

LT. JANE McILROY, '38, McChord Field, Wash. Jane says "You win" and comes through with a swell letter and a picture. Thanks, L. M. We hope you can soon go through with that plan that will bring you back to Pennsylvania and the Phila. suburbs. Jane is Public Relations Officer of McChord Field, but has quite a yearning for the Fall back East.

PFC. ROBERT E. MOORE, APO 706, c/o PM, SF, Calif. Bob mentioned that the picture of Lt. Bob Miller in the last N. L. brought back memories of football at L. M.—with Miller carrying the ball. Thanks for the poem, Bob.

F. D. O'CONNELL, '31, CCM, c/o FPO, SF, California. Fran wants more news from the "Ancient Class" of 1931. He reports hearing from George Hill, III, in the Glider Infantry in Italy. Others in Fran's list are Hunter Lott, Jimmie and Chas. Faulk. Still a member of the C. B.'s, he enjoyed Aleutians better than his present assignment.

CPL. JOHN F. GRAHAM, '42, APO 606, Miami, Fla. John sent a vivid account of the 2nd Anniversary of the 8th Air Depot Group—most of his time being spent around an honest-to-goodness hamburger stand.

ENS. R. J. (JACK) TITZEL, '41, FPO, c/o PM, NY. Jack graduated from the Pa. Maritime Academy as Third Engineer. He applied for a commission in the U. S. N. R. and received it. He went aboard an attack Cargo Ship as an assistant engineer. Has since been appointed chief engineer of a tanker.

PFC. JACK BOSTWICK, APO 449, c/o PM, NY. From somewhere in England comes Jack's report. He is stationed in a small hotel in some small English village. Jack says, "Last night I was very lucky as I had a fried egg for dinner."

PFC. AUGUST G. WAGNER, '33, APO 758, c/o PM, NY. Thanks for your letter, Gus. Sorry we did not know of your change of address, but the only way we may hear of it is by word from you, as we are not connected with any other organization.

PVT. AMERICUS A. MARCHIONE, APO 650, c/o PM, NY. Americus was on a tour entertaining troops in Italy and Sardinia. A further stop took him to the Isle of Capri for 25 days. Singing in some of the great opera houses in Italy before the American and British Generals has been quite a thrill. On tour he met a classmate, Joe Waters.

PFC. EARL LEECH, APO 308, c/o PM, NY.—A new "Tony." Hope you come again soon, Earl. Earl passed through Paris, but no time for sightseeing. The female angle was pretty good.

A/T DOUGLAS R. DEAKINS, Big Springs, Texas. Doug is an aircrew trainee doing his duty on the line and waiting patiently for an opening in preflight school. We have heard from Bob Healy and will send his address.

O. C. MARVIN LERNER, '41, Fort Benning, Ga. Marvin is in his ninth week at Infantry O. C. S. At present he is laid up with a badly sprained ankle, but hopes to keep up with his course.

ENS. J. F. CHILTON, c/o FPO, NY. Jack sent us a message from England. He is in a Naval Air Corps Group and mentions that he was present for the Big Show.

S. 1/C GEORGE R. ELIA, FPO, NY. This message came from France. How did you find things in Gay Paree? George sends regards to Ray Greck, Tony Basile and the other "Yunkers."

LT. TOM KENNEDY, '33, FPO, SF. Tom sends a letter from the South Pacific, written late at night after finishing a watch. He mentions how he had a good talk with Capt. Jim Faulk about things at

home. Anyone in Tom's vicinity should look him up as he premises a good meal and all the comforts of home.

JAMES P. WALLACE, '41, M. 3/c, c/o FPO, NY. Jim sends a note from somewhere in South America. He is a metalsmith, 3rd class. His letter was written at 0436, and brother, that is early.

CPL. BILL SHAND, '43, APO 445, c/o PM, NY. Bill sends us a lengthy letter praising his Alma Mater to the skies. That pride seems to develop several years after one graduates—but you are right, Bill.

CLIFF BOWEN, H. A. 2/c, Parris Island, S. C. Cliff is studying X-Ray technique and finds the work extremely interesting.

PFC. LOUIS WILLIAMS, '38, APO 350, c/o PM, NY. From somewhere in France we received news of Lou. If he meets any Merionites, he will declare a National Holiday and celebrate with Cognac (White Lightning).

HOWARD ESSLINGER, APO 447, c/o PM, NY. Howard wrote his letter to us while crossing the Big Pond. He met Jack Young on board the same ship and by coincidence these two L. M. boys entered the service the same day.

CPL. GEORGE H. THOMAS, JR., APO 887, c/o PM, NY. George writes from France and extolled the virtues of a mother who remembered all the little things. Don't they all?

PFC. P. J. FERACCO, c/o FPO, SF, Calif. A letter asking what girl wanted to write to him from P. J. Ray Greck sent you the name as we do not know who she is. Here's hello to Gus Clarkson, Joe Pinto, Ray Greck and all the other Yunkers.

R. B. SLATER, S. 2/c, c/o FPO, SF, Calif. Dick reports from California. He expects to leave soon. Met Dick DiBattista at Ounonset Point, R. I.

PFC. JOSEPH CONSENTINE, APO 7, c/o PM, NY. Joe reports that one of his buddies from South Carolina was acquainted with George Paine (former L. M. and North Carolina basketball star). Keep plugging for L. M., Joe.

CPL. JAMES J. BEIRNE, Camp Reynolds, Pa. A swell four-page letter arrived from Jim. Jim mentions the fact that he has been replaced by an older man and is now overseas material. So it thanks to the News Letter, and Lt. Dorothy Sparks—you received your furlough. We are glad to play our part for you fellows.

F/O JOSEPH HAENN, Hendricks Field, Sebring, Fla. Joe is taking a course in Aerial Engineering, and feels that he knows the B-17 like a book. Hope so, Joe.

DAVID CARR, AOM 1/c, c/o APO, NY. Dave has a new address reporting from the West Coast. He likes the country back home better, but thinks the girls in California are pretty swell.

TED HARP, APO 230, c/o PM, NY. Ted is now in England and has become a member of the Paratroops.

W. R. REILLY, S. 1/c, U. A. S., Corpus Christi, Texas. Bill reports his marriage to the best girl in the world on Sept. 30. Congratulations. Texas does not appeal to Bill, but he does not figure to remain long.

PVT. HOWARD W. WHITNEY, JR., Cherry Point, N. C. Being away from L. M. for 11 years, Howard was well pleased with the News Letter. He is at present a Classification Specialist at Cherry Point.

CPL. JOHN ROSENGARTEN, APO 655, c/o PM, NY. From somewhere in France, Johnny reports from a Publicity and Psychological Warfare Bn. He tells that the paper bombs really must be effective. Lots of important newspapermen in his organization.

CPL. IRWIN DAUBERT, APO 16528-AJ-21, c/o PM, NY. Irwin reports from Merry England and says the people are really merry. That pride will keep you over lots of rough places—so don't lose it.

PVT. H. C. SCHWALENBURGER, APO 403, c/o PM, NY. A letter arrived on paper supplied by happy retreating Germans. So you met Eddie Parkinson—he is beginning to be an oldtimer from L. M. How about word from you, Eddie?

CPL. M. R. VASSALLO, APO 350, c/o PM, NY. Not the ghost of Ichabod Crane, but a '31 grad reporting from the mud in France. Glad to hear you are meeting some boys from home and L. M.

Here and There

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new drawers were emptied out on the floor, all pictures taken from walls and their frames smashed. Money seems to have been their main objective. There were four or other similar robberies the same night in that vicinity.

Miss Barbara Barker Merrick, daughter of Mr. Charles Barker of Bryn Mawr, known as "Babs," was killed in a car crash on the corner of Davis Street, now a Powers model. Her picture is on the cover of McCall's magazine for January. She is also featured in the January issue of the Ladies' Home Journal magazine and "Seventeen."

New Books Released the First of the Year
"Alias Jane Smith"—Clarence Budington Kelland. The adventures of Jane Smith, Granddaughter of Annapolis, and Major Bourne of the U. S. Marines, moves along at a swift pace, rich in humor, excitement and romance.

"Anything Can Happen" George and Helen Papashvily. Story of the making of an American. An adventure story, a book of delicious humor. It is folklore.

"Captain From Castile"—Samuel Shellabarger. Those who "ticked" "Count of Monte Cristo" or "Three Musketeers" will have the time of their lives with this story.

"Cannery Row"—John Steinbeck. In "Cannery Row" John Steinbeck brings forth a world of his own, joyously conceived with characters as universal as human nature.

"Together" by Margaretta Brucker.
"Tomorrow Sometimes Comes" by Elizabeth Sarraf.
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"Murder Has An Echo"—by John Nolley
Western
"The Frontier Legion"—by Jackson Cole.

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January 4, 1945.

The WAR and YOU

REMINDERS

Housewives are urged to destroy all food ration stamps that have been declared invalid, the Office of Price Administration said today. Use of these stamps by consumers, as well as acceptance of them by retailers, is a violation of rationing regulations, OPA said.

At the same time, OPA explained that red ration tokens continue good and housewives may use them for buying meats-fats. Grocers will continue to give them to housewives as change for the red 10-point stamps.

Blue ration tokens, however, have not been good since October 1 and, therefore, cannot be used for canned fruits and vegetables. They are no longer needed as change for the 10-point blue ration stamps used for processed foods because point values for these items are set in multiples of ten.

Ration stamps which were invalidated as of 12:01 A. M. Tuesday, December 26, 1944, and which are not good for consumer use are: Red Stamps A-8 through Z8 and A5 through P5. Blue Stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through P5. Sugar Stamps 30, 31, 32, 33 and 40, along with all home-canning coupons outstanding.

Stamps continuing to be good—and those soon to be made good—are:

Red Stamps Q5, R5 and S5, which became good December 31. In addition, five more red stamps—T5, U5, V5, W5 and X5—became good on Sunday, December 31.

Blue Stamps X5, Y5, Z5, A2 and B2. In addition, five more blue stamps—C2, D2, E2, F2 and G2—became good on Monday, January 1.

Sugar Stamp No. 34, which became good on November 16. Another sugar stamp will become good on February 1, 1945.

Expiration dates have not been set for the stamps that still remain good.

Gasoline—A-14 coupons good for four gallons. Fuel Oil—East and Far West 1 and 2 coupons good for ten gallons per unit. Mid-West and South 2 and 3 coupons good for ten gallons per unit.

Shoes—Airplane Stamps 1, 2 and 3 in Book Three, good indefinitely.

FOR FAIRER DISTRIBUTION

The mounting exactions of a lengthened war and the failure of past partial rationing to fairly distribute available foods of all Americans are causes reported by the Office of Price Administration for tightening and increasing the ration system on foods. Cancellation of unspent ration stamps validated prior to December 1 was done, OPA said, because supplies are just not large enough to permit spending both 1945 ration stamps and all those unspent in 1944. Stamps issued for this past December and for January are to provide for current needs. Major factors on the supply situation are:

Sugar—The home canning ration this year is severely tightened and coupons for no more than 700,000 tons can be issued in the 1945 season, compared with 1,150,000 tons last season. This reflects an excessive use of 1944 supplies and the fact that 1945 will see no more than 5,400,000 tons available for civilians as against 6,100,000 in 1944, 5,700,000 in 1943 and 7,350,000 in 1941.

Butter—Civilian creamery stocks are at such a low level that supplies in the hands of wholesalers and retailers must be increased if a fairer distribution is to be obtained. The total available for 1945 is expected to be smaller than last year.

Processed Foods—Needs of the armed forces for canned fruits are expected to remain heavy and military procurement needs and set-aside requirements for canned vegetables from the 1944 pack were bigger than in 1943. The supply now on hand must be made to last until the next canning season. The present stocks of commercially canned vegetables on December 1, 1944, was about 56 per cent of the quantity on hand for civilians 12 months previous.

Meat—Prospects at present are for supplies during the first three months of this year are about 15 per cent below the last three months of 1944 and also the first quarter of last year. This applies to both rationed and unrationed kinds. Hog production available for slaughter is about 25 per cent below a year ago.

Says OPA: "Food rationing, in effect, must be placed on a pay-as-you-go basis. During the next few months, and perhaps throughout 1945, ration stamps will be only good on the basis of the supplies that can be made available to civilians without upsetting the fairest distribution obtainable. Shortages in some items, such as butter, may continue. The choice and variety of meats and canned fruits and vegetables may continue to be spotty in some cities. But as closely as possible point values will be maintained to assure the shopper a reasonable choice of rationed foods."

LEND-LEASE FOOD DELIVERIES

War Food Administration reports that deliveries of food and other farm products for shipment to the Allies under lend-lease during November totaled 467,500,000 pounds, or 251,800,000 less than in October. In November 1943 shipments were 1,015,900,000 pounds. Of these totals the United Kingdom and British possessions received 52 per cent, Russia 41 per cent, and Greece, West Africa, North Africa, the Netherlands, Poland, Yugoslavia and the French Committee of National Liberation, 7 per cent.

COUNTY NOTES

Approximately 15,000 letters were mailed under date of December 30 by the Montgomery County Registration Commission to registered voters of the County who have not voted for two years. A reply card which can be mailed without postage is enclosed for the voter to fill out and return if he or she wishes to be kept on the rolls. If the request for re-registration is not received within 10 days, the letter states, the voter will be removed from the registration list without further notice. Voters in military service are kept on the registration rolls if this fact is known to the Registration Commission. This procedure, which is required by law, is commonly referred to as the "purge" of non-voters. It is a device which effects a cleaning up of the registration lists by removal of the persons who have died or moved.

The County Board for the Assessment and Revision of Taxes is also giving post offices copies of forms for making returns of personal property in connection with the County's four mill personal property tax were mailed this week to residents of the County. Returns are due by February 15. It was announced by J. Norman Zandt, chairman of the Board of Assessment. Personal property taxpayers in Abington, Cheltenham and Lower Merion may obtain the blanks and make returns with no charge for the required affidavit at the assessors' offices in those townships. The County personal property tax for 1944 amounted to approximately \$1,044,000.

The County treasury was enriched to the extent of \$10,440,000 last week when a check for that amount was received from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, representing Montgomery's share of the State gasoline tax for the last half of 1944. The County's share of the tax for the first half of 1944 was \$105,471.89, making its total receipts for the year from this source amount to \$210,943.88. The County receives one-half cent of the State four-cent gas tax on each gallon of gasoline sold in the County. It is earmarked for road and bridge construction and maintenance.

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ALL SKIDDING ASIDE



Reduce your speed to conform to the conditions of the road—and never take chances on icy surfaces.

Junior Group Of Red Cross Meets Jan. 24

1945 Plans Include Gifts for Children In War Areas

The Junior Red Cross Council will meet January 24 at 4:30 P. M. at headquarters in Ardmore.

The newly elected officers of the Council are: chairman, Mary Adam, Lower Merion School; vice chairman, Nancy Wilson, Agnes Irwin School; secretaries, Edward White, Episcopal Academy, and Yvonne Simpson, Sacred Heart Convent.

The Juniors will discuss plans for 1945. Miss Anne B. Townsend, chairman of the Junior Red Cross of the Main Line Branch, has announced that the Juniors will pack 200 gift boxes to be sent overseas to children in stricken areas. The boxes will contain school and health supplies. Shipping space is now available for half a million of these gift boxes.

There is also to be a drive in the schools for articles to fill recreation chests for armed Navy guards on merchant ships. Books and playing cards and other items for leisure time activities are needed.

The production program will again be stressed. The plan of 30 schools will participate in supplying military hospitals with many articles including favors for holidays and other useful things such as the magazine racks now being made at the Ardmore Junior High. The boys in the shop at this school are making 100 of these racks for the Valley Forge Hospital.

Other Junior Red Cross plans for the New Year include courses to be given to members that will enable them better to participate in the war effort. Service Corps activities for both Junior and Senior divisions in various Red Cross departments will be stressed. The publication reporting all the contributions and accomplishments of the Main Line Branch of the Junior Red Cross.

Narberth Club To Join New Bond Drive

Campaign To Start Jan. 15 To Sponsor Naval Airplanes

At the regular meeting of the Women's Community Club of Narberth held January 2, Charles Love, president of the club, spoke on "Pioneers in War and Peace."

Mr. Love brought several pictures with him to illustrate his talk. At the close of his talk, Love gave several of the pictures to a group of women and they in turn, took the pictures outside and released them. Love stated that the pictures would return home before he did.

Mrs. Harry C. Middleton, president of the club, presided and introduced the speaker in the absence of Mrs. Ellsworth Clark, program chairman.

Tea was served by the hostesses, Mrs. L. C. Cowan and Mrs. R. H. Harris.

The new war bond campaign to buy "Pin Money Bonds" was explained by the president, Mrs. Harry Middleton. This is a special drive to sell campaign by the Pennsylvania Federation of Women's Club to sponsor four Marine Patrol Bombers at \$413,000 each. The drive starts Jan. 15 and ends March 1. Members of 804 federated clubs are being asked to participate. Citations will be presented to every organization who has 90 per cent of the members buying the special bonds.

Mrs. Middleton said that she hoped to see 90 per cent of the membership of the Narberth club buy at least one \$25 bond.

Mrs. William J. Henderson, co-chairman of Bonds and Stamp drives, will be on hand at all meetings at the clubhouse, until the end of the drive.

The literature group of the club will meet January 9 at 2 P. M. at the home of Mrs. E. R. Kirk, 149 Merion Ave., Narberth. The Rev. R. G. Middleton, new pastor of the Narberth Baptist Church will review "Journey Through Chaos," by Agnes Meyer.

Gems Of Thought

There are no fragments so precious as those of time, and none are so heedlessly lost by people who cannot make a moment, and yet can waste years.

—Montgomery.

Regret for time wasted can become a power for good in the time that remains. And the time that remains is time enough, if we will only stop the waste and the idle, useless regretting.

—Arthur Brisbane.

Time past and time present, both may pain us, but time improved is elegant in God's praise.

—Mary Baker Eddy.

In time there is no present. In eternity no future. In eternity no past.

—Tennyson.

Dear Land to which Desire for ever flees; Time doth no present to our grasp allow; Say in the fixed Eternal shall we seize At last the fleeting Now?

—Bulwer-Lytton.

Beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

—1 Peter 3:8.

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GI's Stage Variety Show While Nazi Submarine Pack Waits for Convoy

"Wonderful," Says Colonel, "When You Think of the Folks Back Home Squawking Because They Can Only Have 20 Gallons of Gasoline"

By ERNE PYLE
(Editor's Note: This dispatch was written and first published when Pyle was with the GI's during the landing at Algeria. He is now on his way to cover the Pacific war zones.)

IN ALGERIA—I came to Africa by troop transport, in convoy. Our convoy carried an enormous number of troops, and we had a heavy escort, although no matter how much escort you have it never seems enough to please you.

It was a miserable English day, when we sailed—cold, with a driving rain. But of us just lay in our bunks, indifferent even to the traditional last glance at land.

The ship seemed terribly crowded, and some complained bitterly of the food, and didn't eat for days. The worst trouble was a lack of hot water. British standards of sanitation are so different from ours that the contrast is sometimes shocking. The water for washing dishes was only tepid, and there was no soap. As a result the dishes got greasy.

In our cabin we had water only twice a day—7 to 9 in the morning and 5:30 to 6:30 in the evening. It was unheated, so we shaved in cold water.

We correspondents knew where we were going. Some of the officers knew, and the rest could guess. We were going to Russia over the Murmansk route, and some thought it was Norway, and some Iceland. A few sincerely believed we were returning to America. It wasn't until the fifth day, when the army distributed booklets on how to conduct ourselves in North Africa, that everybody knew where we were going.

Then I realized we meant about smoking or using flashlights on deck at night, and against throwing cigarettes or orange peels overboard. It seems a commander can't have such a floating debris.

One night a nurse came on deck with a brilliant flashlight guiding her. An officer screamed at her so loudly and viciously that I heard it at first he was doing it in fun. He belittled:

"Put out that light, you blabbering idiot! Haven't you got any sense at all? You mean every word of it. One little light might have killed us all. I was sorry he didn't kick her pants for good measure."

Smoking was prohibited in the dining room. There was a bar with soft drinks, but no liquor was sold. As some wisecracked, "We catch it both ways. We can't smoke because it's a British ship, and we can't buy liquor because it's an American troopship."

GI Show Talent
The trip no sooner started than rehearsals for an enlisted men's variety show began. They could be accorded, the saxophonists, a trumpeter, a violinist, two tenors, a pianist, a dancer, a tenor, a cowboy singer and several pianists.

They rehearsed every afternoon. The big night came a couple of nights before we got to Gibraltar. They put on two shows that night, for the enlisted men only. Word got around, and the officers and nurses wanted to see the show, so the night we were approaching Gibraltar they put it on again.

The show went over terrifically. There was a genuine talent in it, and serious music as well as the whirring stuff. But the hero of the evening was a hairy corporal—Joe Comita of Brooklyn—who did a strip-tease burlesque of Gypsy Rose Lee.

His movements were pure genius. Gypsy herself couldn't have been more sensuous, Joe twirled and stripped, twirled and stripped. And then when we were down to his long, heavy GI undershirt, he lifted his veil, and showed a front-row colonel on top of his bald head.

The whole show was marvellously good. But there was something

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Ceremony Will Take Place At St. Margaret's Saturday

The marriage of Miss Eleanor M. Cabrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Cabrey, of 21 Narbrook Park, Narberth, to Lt. William F. Fox, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry I. Fox, of 1544 DeKalb St., Norristown, will take place at 11 A. M. Saturday in St. Margaret's Church, Narberth.

Miss Katherine M. Cabrey, sister of the bride, will be the maid of honor, and Miss Marcella Daly will be the only other attendant.

A reception will follow the ceremony at the Barclay Hotel, Philadelphia.

Lt. Fox, a graduate of Georgetown University in Washington and the University of Pennsylvania Law School, has just returned from 21 months duty in the Southwest Pacific theater of war.

The bride is a graduate of Rosemont College.

FIRESIDE

Mr. and Mrs. William Durbin, 400 Anthony Rd., entertained Mr. and Mrs. William Fretz of New York over the New Year's weekend. Miss Virginia Durbin, their daughter, was home from State College over New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Goodyear and son, Pvt. Paul Goodyear, Fort Benning, Ga., entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Egan in Merion Gardens.

Mr. Elliot Morse, 200 Avon Rd., entertained twelve guests New Year's Eve.

Mr. Robert Odell, former Penn football captain, spent New Year's with his fiancée, Miss Jane Davis, at her home, 200 Avon Rd. Their marriage will take place early in March.

Mrs. William Knapman, Manassas, Va., entertained Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Linton and bridge, Saturday, December 30th.

Mrs. Adolf Seltz, Winchester Rd., entertained two tables of bridge, Tuesday evening, January 2nd.

Mrs. Arthur L. Cooke, of Lantwyn Lane, has as her guests Mr. and Mrs. Perry Redifer and son, Perry Jr., of Orlinville, Pa.

Mrs. Charles Viguers, Old Lancaster Rd., Bala-Cynwyd, entertained twenty guests at bridge New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pawling, Gilpin Rd., entertained twenty-eight guests at dinner Saturday evening, December 30th, followed by "private bridge."

Ensign and Mrs. Joseph E. Dwyer, the former Mary Wright of Chestnut Ave., are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son. Ensign Dwyer is in the South Pacific.

Miss Margaret Gray of Coshocton, Ohio, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wharton Carroll, Gypsy Lane, Wynnewood.

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HISTORICAL FEATURE Elm Station Murder Recalled By Sale of Shortridge Tract

The late N. Parker Shortridge was one of Lower Merion Township's most affluent citizens and gave his aid to numerous civic and religious enterprises, yet at the same time he managed to keep out of the limelight of publicity. Attention is directed to him by the recent announcement that plans have been made to erect 360 dwellings in the 122-acre farm that he owned at Wynnewood, the project involving an expenditure of \$10,000,000.

Mr. Shortridge, who died January 3, 1915, had no children. His will left his fortune to his wife, a brother and several nieces. There were bequests of \$10,000 to Haverford College and the Episcopal Divinity School and other gifts to other Episcopal institutions.

In 1845, at the age of 16, Mr. Shortridge came from his native New Hampshire to Philadelphia and began working as an errand boy in a large dry goods commission house. Later he established his own firm, from which he retired in 1877, though he continued active as an official of various large corporations. He was a member of the board of finance that provided funds for the purchase of the land on which the acquisition comprised 72 acres on Lancaster Pike, where Wynnewood station was later established. This tract he bought of Stephen Paschall, paying \$18,000 for it—that is, at the rate of about \$250 an acre, including a house and farm buildings. It's been a long while since land in Lower Merion was obtainable at such a price.

Mr. Shortridge began buying land to keep it. Of his neighbor, Owen Jones, it used to be said that he bought by the acre and sold by the foot. Thus he made a fine profit even in the times before Lower Merion became suburbanized.

Mr. Shortridge lived in a large house facing Lancaster Pike. Unostentatious though he was, Mr. Shortridge attained a share of public attention in connection with the sensational Elm Station murder case of 1877.

Elm Station was the present Narberth, West of Wynnewood. In February, 1877, the body of a man who had been murdered was uncovered in the embankment along the railroad near Elm Station. The only clothing on the body consisted of a shirt and an undershirt. The face had been disfigured beyond recognition. Hundreds viewed the body, but no one could identify it. Evidently it was that of a stranger and had been buried in the embankment for some months.

At that time there were no township police and no county detectives. The only officials who could be expected to do anything were the justice of the peace and the constable of the township.

Then N. Parker Shortridge came to the fore. He and other well-to-do citizens felt such a crime must not be allowed to pass without full investigation, even though the victim was some poor unknown. He assembled a group of residents and they subscribed \$1600 to pay for an inquiry. A reward of \$1,000 was offered for the arrest of the murderer, and William Henry Sutton, afterwards State senator, was employed as legal counsel.

The outcome was one of the best pieces of detective work ever done in connection with a Montgomery County crime.

A Philadelphia, David Abrams, who had been a guard at the Centennial but had no other police experience, offered to serve in the case if his expenses were assured. He was engaged. The shirts on the body were found to be of German manufacture. A Philadelphia German newspaper published the story of the crime. Many copies were sent to Germany, where the account was reprinted, with the result that a Berlin saloonkeeper sent on word that his son, Max Hugo Hoehne, had gone to America in 1876 and he had heard nothing further about him.

The later contained a detailed description of certain of the son's physical features. This made it possible to identify the corpse as that of the son.

Hoehne had stayed for a while with a cousin in New York. From this cousin information was obtained about a Philadelphia companion of Hoehne, named Henry Wahlen. Wahlen was found in a New York prison, where he had been held on a robbery charge.

Tried in the Montgomery County Court in September, 1877, with Mr. Sutton assisting the district attorney, Jacob V. Golwals, a chain of circumstantial but convincing evidence was presented, that after a trial of 15 days, resulted in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree.

The dead man's father had come on from Germany to be a witness. Among the evidence presented was the thumb of Hoehne that had been cut from the body before burial. It bore traces of a felon which the father identified.

Wahlen cheated the gallows by hanging himself in his cell in the county prison.

Hoehne was buried in the cemetery of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ardmore, where his tombstone sets forth that he came to America as an immigrant and was brutally murdered.

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Accrued Interest Receivable	757,439.99
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Cash and Transient Collections	611,190.67
Other Assets	104,421.18
	\$208,849,286.59

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$6,700,000.00
Surplus	13,000,000.00
Undivided Profits	3,076,226.47
Reserve for Contingencies, etc.	1,250,065.09
Reserve for Interest, Taxes, etc.	639,321.71
Other Liabilities	22,500.00
Deposits:	
United States Treasury	46,755,616.96
Other Deposits	137,405,536.36
	\$184,161,173.32
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